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Sir:

TRANSMITTAL

Please find attached hereto, a copy of ar Amendment submitted on August 2, 2001 together with a cover page bearing a Certificate of Facsimile transmission that were submitted in response to a Final Office Action dated February 2, 2001. I am forwarding this copy of the originally submitted Amendment in response to a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed on October 2, 2001. The Notice states that the Amendment is not compliant since it does not include a marked-up copy of the amended claims. Please note that the Amendment submitted on August 2, 2001 does not contain any amended claims and therefore there is no need to submit a marked-up claim. In fact, the Amendment only contains new Claims 10-19 that bear the appropriate designation as "New".

It is my understanding, after a telephone conference call on October 15,2001 with Examiner Wong, that the Examiner's copy of the Amendment has an image overlying and obscuring a portion of at least one of the claims. Accordingly, please consider this copy of

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> the Amendment as a replacement copy. Applicants have made a diligent and sincere effort to place this application in condition for immediate allowance and notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

Early and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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